

Frances Kelly, ROEC Member
Executive Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

Frances L. Kelly, M.P.A., M.Ed., is the Executive Director for Indiana Professional Licensing Agency. She was appointed to the position March 14, 2005, by Governor Mitch Daniels to guide PLA through the merger with sister agency Health Professions Bureau. Frances and her staff of 85 are responsible the administration of 33 different boards and committees, which include 270 board members and just over 445,000 active license holders. The boards include medical, nursing, pharmacy and oversight for the prescription monitoring program.

Ms. Kelly is a graduate of Indiana University with a B.S. degree in Business from the Kelley School of Business and M.P.A. degree in Public Administration from the School of Public and Environmental Affairs. She also received a M.Ed. in Educational Leadership from Ohio University and was a certified Emergency Medical Technician. Ms. Kelly previously held positions as Chief Deputy Coroner for the Marion County Coroner's Office, Director of the Indiana Pharmacy and Medical Licensing Boards and as Project Coordinator with the Edison Biotech Center in Ohio prior to returning to Health Professions Bureau and Indiana Professional Licensing Agency.

Currently, Ms. Kelly sits on the board of the Center for Excellence in Licensing, the board of directors for Legacy House, which is a domestic violence shelter and is an advisory board member for the Bill and Melinda Gates 1st Candle National Crib Campaign designed to provide infant cribs and reduce the risk of SIDS. She has also participated on the Health Care Workforce Summit, Indiana Foreclosure Prevention Advisory Committee and the Medical Examiner restructuring task force. She has been a participant in research on drug-related overdose deaths in Marion County with the Indianapolis Drug Enforcement Administration office and served on review panels for child fatalities and homicide associations and is the past Chapter President for the National Association for Drug Diversion Investigators and served as Historian and conference chair for the 2009 national chapter of NADDI. She recently completed a term on the Executive Committee for the National Association of State Controlled Substance Authorities.